



**Lakes Commission Meeting
January 15, 2019
7:00 p.m.**



Ken Funk	Lake Waterford	Kevin Lowry	Village at Large
Tom Heinrich	Lake Springledge	Carlos Menor Salazar	Village at Large
Brad Winter	Lake Potomac	Dave Kraft	Village at Large
Pat Dickson	Lake Linden	Kevin Klahs	Director of Operations
P.J. Hilbert	Village at Large	Jim Stout	Park District Liaison
Caly Winter	Village at Large	Dominic Marturano	Mayor
			bold = present

- I. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm
- II. Roll Call - Members of the Lakes Commission were present as indicated in **bold** above.
- III. Approval of Minutes
A motion was made by Brad and seconded by Kevin L. to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 20, 2018. The motion carried.

- IV. Communications and Correspondence
 - Ken reminded members of the Lakes Commission that the Illinois Lakes Management Association’s (ILMA) annual conference will be held March 14 – 16 at the Holiday Inn in Crystal Lake, IL. Ken said that he emailed the conference information to all commissioners. This information included some details about programs and topics to be covered. Ken reminded us that one session would be specifically on dredging.

- V. Old Business
 - Communications to shoreline residents –
Tom thanked Kevin K. for providing the addresses of lakeshore residents and reported that he revised some information to be included in the mailing intended for shoreline residents. He distributed drafts of the materials to members of the LLC for review. After some discussion, it was agreed that the tri-fold brochure for the LLC should be updated to reflect its current membership. In addition, it was agreed that the materials should be sent out to lakeshore residents in April. Pat indicated a preference to hand deliver the materials to residents on Potomac. Dave suggested that the introductory letter to be included in the packet communicate that the dates and times of LLC meetings are on the LLC and Village websites. Also, it was suggested that if materials are to be hand delivered, plastic bags should be used to protect the materials. Resident, John F. added that a radio announcement related to the LLC would be appropriate if it were to announce a specific event.

Resident John F. suggested that a local public service radio announcement might be appropriate only if it were to announce a specific event.

ILM Contract – Ken announced that the ILM contract is posted on the website and he clarified that the contract is approved for one more year. Dave suggested that the fact

that the contract is in effect for one additional year will give the LLC sufficient time to contemplate and suggest ideas that might be appropriate for a successor contract. Kevin K. asked that he be emailed with any suggestions for a contract rebid. Ken reiterated that he wanted to clarify the lines of communication for lakes management issues, including clarifying the role of LLC commissioners. Kevin K. suggested that it might be possible to have some flexibility in a successor contract so that special purposes might be addressed. Special purposes may include, but would not be limited to, manual removal of weeds, if necessary. In addition, Kevin K. revealed that Debbie from ILM predicted that algae blooms will be plentiful this coming season. Brad expressed his desire to make sure ILM begins treatments early in the season to mitigate later problems.

As this discussion continued, Ken expressed a concern that ILM's calculations for SONAR application be correct, and that the SONAR be applied early enough in the season. Kevin K. responded that he has started discussions to get this done, and that there should be no issue for ILM to get out on our lakes prior to May 1. Mayor Marturano assured that if treatments need to be made earlier, there are things that can be worked out.

- Lake Recommendations and Goals –

A discussion of lake recommendations and goal development for the lakes lead to Tom and Kevin L. passing out draft copies outlining problems and corresponding recommendations pertaining to Springledge Lake. It was decided that preliminary drafts of recommendations and goals for all of the Village lakes be emailed to Dave. In turn, Dave volunteered to consolidate all of the drafts for future discussion.

- Lake data acquisition and utilization

In Carlos' absence, Dave volunteered that he and Carlos have started an analysis.

- LLC Web site and Village Voice –

LLC Website - Pat reported that the revised website has been partially migrated and all members of the LLC should look at it. Pat thanked Kevin K., Clay and Stacy for their assistance in this regard. Kevin K. added that all of the content can be moved over if members of the LLC wish to do this.

Village Voice – Pat asked if any members of the LLC had ideas for content to be included in the Village Voice. Pat informed members of the LLC that he would write the article, and the deadline was February 11. Ken said that the lakes management philosophy from the LLC website has never been written up in the Village Voice, but it might be relevant. Finally, a discussion about the use of Facebook for sharing lakes related information ensued. Several members of the LLC expressed the opinion that it may not be prudent to use this vehicle because sometimes it calls for responses and/or protracted back and forth communication which may entail excessive monitoring.

- Communication events –

Ken invited members of the LLC to propose new ideas for future communication events for the LLC. He explained that, since there will be no Earth Day celebration this year, there may be an opportunity for some other/new event. Jim S. said that there may be an

opportunity for the LLC to have a presence at the Janega Park carp fishing derby. Jim said that he will keep us informed of this upcoming event.

VI. New Business

Budget – Ken reminded members of the LLC that new ideas need to be budgeted for. It was mentioned that in the next few weeks, the LLC needs to advise Kevin K. of the things that the LLC desires for next year. Mayor Marturano advised that the Village has public hearings about the budget in March and approves the budget in April. In addition, he advised that if something is requested in the budget for the first time, it is very helpful to include detailed information supporting the need. Finally, the Mayor suggested that a five- year plan for the LLC would be preferable.

Additional discussions about the budget included the following: (see below)

-It was suggested that the line item in the amount of \$350 for ILMA conference attendance be retained in next year's budget.

-It was suggested that the line item for literature be increased from \$100 to \$200 for mailings to residents.

-It was suggested that line items be stated more generally to allow for flexibility of use. For example, a line item entitled "lake related operation and maintenance" might be used.

Finally, Brad said that he would like to request that park benches be included in the budget for the Lake Potomac shoreline. In addition, he requested that the Village rope off the area off Grass Lake Road (where the restoration was done) to avoid trampling. He requested a sign be included to dissuade people from damaging the restored area.

Dredging project initiative – Pat informed members of the LLC that he initiated a meeting to discuss the feasibility of a lakes dredging project. He indicated the names of several residents who attended the first meeting, and said that there was no substantive information to share at this point as the group's discussions were very preliminary.

Peat bog removal – A discussion of the possible removal of the peat bog on Lake Waterford suggested that ILM likely has the equipment to remove the peat bog, and the LLC could ask for an estimate. Further discussion suggested that peat bogs are deemed to be unsightly by some, but fisherman tend to like them. In addition, it is possible that even if the peat bog were to be removed, it may reappear after a period to time.

VII. Commissioner Report & VLMP Reports –

Waterford – Ken reported that he observed muskie fisherman on Waterford.

Linden – In Carlos' absence John reported that the ice seemed thin.

Springledge – Nothing to report from Tom.

Potomac – Brad reported that excessive algae has already been seen.

VIII. Public Participation: None

IX. Adjournment:

There was a motion made by Pat to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Brad. The meeting ended at 8:48 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Heinrich - VP
Recording Secretary

LLC Public Participants

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
John S. Filippo	2208 Lake Shore Drive
Colleen James	409 Red Rock Drive
Theresa Patch	747 Federal Parkway

Reminder: Next Meeting Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

	FY 17/18	FY 18/19
	Approved	Proposed
Commission Education		
ILMA Conference	\$ 350	\$ 350
ILMA Membership	\$ 75	\$ 75
NALMS Membership	\$ -	\$ -
Public Education		
Springfest	\$ -	\$ -
Earthday (prizes)	\$ 100	\$ -
Lindenfest	\$ -	\$ -
Literature	\$ 100	\$ 200
Lake Preservation Plan		
Fish Stocking	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500
Ops., improvement & maintenance	\$ 1,000	\$ 5,500
Grant investigation/preparation	\$ 500	\$ 500
Boat Reg Stickers	\$ -	
Boat Reg & Maint	\$ -	
Signs & Maintenance	\$ 250	\$ -
Staff gauges (\$100 each)	\$ -	
Total Requested Commission Budget	\$ 4,875	\$ 9,125
Lakes Management Contract (excluding Potomac)	\$ -	
Lake Potomac (ILM Proposal)	\$ -	
Stargrass Treatment Lake Waterford	\$ -	
Total Lakes Management Contract	\$ -	
Shoreline Stabilization Program 50/50	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Contribution to Crooked Lake HOA	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Lakes Commission Website Hosting	\$ 325	\$ 325
Other Expenses	\$ 6,825	\$ 6,825
Lakes Management Budget	\$ 11,700	\$ 15,950

